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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
Office of the Chief, Economic Research
Office of Research and Reports

Project No. 30.1646 Date: 29 October 1956

Attachment 1 to Project Action Memorandum 30,1646 dated 16 October 1956.

TITLE: Economic Aspects of Soviet Nuclear Energy Program

REQUESTER: ONE Through JAEIC

TERMS OF REFERENCE:

Reference memorandum - from Chairman JALIC to Assistant Director for Research and Reports, Subject: "Development and Production of Iconomic Intelligence for NIE 11-2-57* and Subsequent Estimates", dated 15 October 1956.

1. The reference memorandum requests URR to prepare economic intelligence studies of certain commodities and industries of the USSR by December 1956 to assist JARIC in the preparation of the 1957 estimate of the Soviet atomic energy program. These areas of study include:

Subject of Study	Responsible Branch			
Eydrofluoric acid Nickel Powder Nercury Graphite Compressors	A/CH A/FM A/NF A/NF			
Converters) Electric Motors Power-factor Capacitors	1/24, 1/TH, 1/EE, 1/SH 1/EE 1/EE			
Concrete and Structural Steel Electric Power - Angara Region Industrial Labor Force AE Finance	11/F11, S/CST 14/EP A/U			

2. The general terms of reference for these studies are outlined in the following paragraphs.

a. General

As a minimum requirement all contributors should provide a general description of the status of the subject commodity or industry during the period 1946-56 and the outlook through 1960. This should include:

^{*} NTE 11-2-57 is the incorrect number and refers to a subject other than atomic energy. The number of the atomic energy NTE will be assigned by ONE in the near future.

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- (1) A statement of the status of technology as evidenced by USSR accomplishments and literature:
- (2) A general discussion of any plan and plan fulfillment data that may be available;
- (3) A general statement of volume of output and the share of total production which would be expected to be absorbed by non-atomic energy part of the economy.

b. Specific Economic Data

In addition to the above minimum, the following items should be presented as fully as data and research time permit.

- (1) Estimates of total annual production between 1946-60. If available, include regional distribution of the centers of production. Estimates may be in physical terms, value terms or a combination of both.
- (2) Estimates of the use pattern of the commodity by principle consumers. If possible apply to the years 1946, 1950, 1953, 1955 and 1960. A regional use pattern should be prepared if possible.
- (3) Estimates of quantities of commodities going to atomic energy installations or consumers.
- (4) Qualitative evaluation of the impact of the principal atomic energy uses (as discussed in (3) above) upon the major suppliers of the commodities.

c. Special Subjects

Specific terms of reference for industrial manpower, regional analysis of electric power and financial analysis cannot be prepared at this time. Following detailed discussions with the responsible analysts specific terms will be established.

3. In order to insure consistency of approach and to provide specific guidance and coordination, the various commodities to be studied will be divided into two groups with a project analyst for each group. Questions as to the substance to be included should be directed to the responsible analyst.

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A. Contributions from the contributing branches are due to the project analyst by 3 December 1956. This project has a very high priority; if it conflicts with any other scheduled project, St/PR should be informed.

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5. This attachment amends Project Action Memorandum dated 16 October 1956 to include S/CST and I/TH as contributors to this project. Estimated manhours for each branch - 50.

CONCURRENCE:

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18 October 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR: All Division and Staff Chiefs

Economic Research Area, ORR

SUBJECT:

Liaison with NED/OSI and Coordination of ERA Economic Intelligence Production on the Soviet

Nuclear Energy Industry

REFERENCE:

Memorandum from Chairman, JAEIC, to AD/RR, dated 15 October 1956, Subject: Development and Production of Economic Intelligence for NIE 11-2-57

and Subsequent Estimates

 The responsibilities for (a) coordinating economic intelligence research conducted within MRA in support of the referenced JAEIC estimates of Soviet nuclear energy capabilities, and (b) providing a central point of control within ERA for necessary contacts and relations with NED/OSI, are hereby assigned

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Deputy Chief, Industrial Division, in addition to his other duties.

2. An ad hoc group will be set up by composed of "Q" cleared analysts as well as appropriate supervisory personnel, to provide guidance in the planning and execution of pertinent ERA research, to exchange information and ideas as the program develops, and to assist analysts in obtaining necessary materials from NED/OSI and the Atomic Energy Commission.

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3. ERA analysts are requested to make initial contacts with NED/OSI through _____ and to keep him informed of subsequent progress. In the event analysts receive requests for assistance directly from NED/OSI, such requests should be coordinated 25X1A9a with prior to the initiation of research. Such requests will also be subject to the approval of supervisory echelons, as required by existing procedures.

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Referenced Memorandum Inot attached

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REQUESTER: OFE Through JAEIC

STATEMENT OF THE PROBLEM AND TERMS OF REFERENCE:

Problem: To provide support as required to the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee on the economic aspects of Soviet Bloc atomic energy activities for NIE 11-2-57.

Terms of Reference: To be furnished by JAEIC. Contributions will be forwarded through D/I to JAEIC who in turn will forward ERA contributions to ONE. This project will use all-source material and will probably contain RESTRICTED DATA materials.

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This project may delay other currently scheduled projects but the delay in specific projects cannot be ascertained until precise terms of reference are established. This project will supersede and cancel Project No. 10.1504, "The Soviet Nuclear Energy Program."

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